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REMARKS

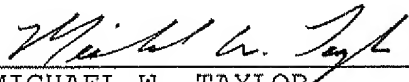
Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for the thorough examination of the present application, and for correctly indicating as allowable the subject matter of dependent Claims 6-10, 14-19 and 22-24. The Applicants request that the Examiner initial the foreign patents as being considered for the IDS filed on December 18, 2006.

The independent claims have been amended to place the application in condition for allowance. Independent Claim 4 has been amended to include the allowable subject matter from dependent Claim 6 and intervening Claim 5. Independent Claim 13 has been amended to include the allowable subject matter from dependent Claim 16 and intervening Claim 14. Likewise, independent method Claim 20 has been amended to include the allowable subject matter from dependent Claim 22 and intervening Claim 21. As a result, dependent Claims 5, 6, 14, 16, 21 and 22 have been cancelled.

Accordingly, a Notice of Allowance is requested in due course. Should any minor informalities need to be addressed, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

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